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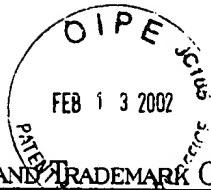
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- o The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.
- o Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$120.
 - \$120 for 3 independent claims over 3 .
- o The oath or declaration is missing.
A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- o To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27. must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
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